(b) There were 198 Ayurveda, 35 Unani, 02 Siddha Colleges in 2002.

(c) About 7710 Ayurved, 240 Siddha and 1325 Unani Physicians are coming out from these colleges annually.

(d) Central Council of Indian Medicine has laid down minimum standards & requirements for Ayurved, Siddha and Unani colleges and at the attached hospitals. After assessing the availability of essential infrastructure for practical training and other necessary facilities available at these colleges, the Central Council consider granting permission to these colleges for imparting Ayurveda, Unani and Siddha courses.

(e) Central Council of Indian Medicine also conducts visitation/inspection of these colleges for assessing the Minimum Standards and Requirements and infrastructure and other facilities available for imparting Ayurved, Unani, Siddha courses, as per requirements laid down by the Central Council.

Assistance provided for development of Homoeopathy

†4093. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of assistance provided by Government for the development of Homoeopathic system of medicine during last three years;

(b) the activities for which this assistance has been provided;

(c) the details of assistance provided for research centre situated in Bastar of Madhya Pradesh; and

(d) the details of achievements of this centre?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) During

the last three years an assistance/Grants-in-aid of Rs. 50.50 crores has been provided both under Plan and Non-Plan for the following activities :

(i) Central Council of Homoeopathy, New Delhi;

(ii) Homoeopathy Pharmacopoeia Committee;

(iii) National Institute of Homoeopathy, Kolkata;

(iv) Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy, New Delhi;

(v) Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia Laboratory, Ghaziabad;

(vi) Extra Mural Research Scheme;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(vii) Strengthening of existing Under Graduate Colleges of ISM&H;

(viii) Re-orientation Training Programme;

(ix) Scheme for upgradation of UG Department of PG Training and Research.

(c) During the last three years, an amount of Rs. 21.22 lakh has been spent by the Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy for their Clinical Research Unit (Tribal) located in Jagdalpur in Bastar District of Madhya Pradesh (now in Chhatisgarh).

(d) This Unit has been assigned clinical research in Arthritis, Rhinitis and Skin disorders which is in progress. It has registered 1,29,233 patients in its OPD during the last five years.

Spread of AIDS

4094. SHRI RUMANDLA RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka are among the six States in the country which have recorded an alarming spread of AIDS;

(b) if so, which are the other four States where the position is worse;

(c) whether Government have taken any steps to check this alarming spread of AIDS in these States;

(d) the details of the steps taken in this regard; and

(e) whether the States have been urged to take necessary steps in checking AIDS in these States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The other four states are Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Manipur and Nagaland.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. In order to prevent and control the spread HIV/AIDS in India Government of India has launched a comprehensive Programme,